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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN STATEMENT

1.

FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS DEALING WITH NORTH KOREAN STATEMENT
MADE AT AUGUST 21 MAC MEETING FROM NOON AUGUST 23 DEPART-
MENT OF STATE PRESS BRIEFING.

QUOTE:

I HAVE THREE POINTS TO MAKE TODAY ON THE NORTH KOREAN
STATEMENT AND OUR REACTION TO IT....FIRST, WE RECOGNIZE
THAT THE NORTH KOREAN STATEMENT EXPRESSES REGRET AND WE
CONSIDER THIS A POSITIVE STEP. SECOND, NEVERTHELESS IT
DOES NOT CHANGE THE TRAGIC FACT THAT TWO AMERICAN OFFICERS
WERE BRUTALLY BEATEN TO DEATH WITHOUT PROVOCATION.

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THIRD AND FINAL POINT; THEREFORE, WE ARE CALLING FOR A

MEETING OF THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION TOMORROW
TO INSIST UPON NORTH KOREA ASSURANCES RESPECTING THE
SAFETY OF OUR PERSONNEL IN THE DMZ. END QUOTE.
2. WITH RESPECT TO SECRETARY'S TV INTERVIEW COMMENT ON
"REPARATIONS" SPOKESMAN SAID QUOTE I THINK WHAT HE MEANT
IS THE ASSURANCES THAT WE ARE GOING TO INSIST UPON TOMORROW.
END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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